



# ADVOCACY UPDATE

SWO HFMA Winter Education Event

February 21, 2020

# 2020 ELECTION

Primary Election March 17 | General Election Nov. 3



- **PRESIDENT**
- **U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
(All 16 seats)
- **OHIO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
(All 99 seats)
- **OHIO SENATE**  
(16 of 33 seats)
- **OHIO SUPREME COURT**  
(2 seats)

# STATE LEGISLATIVE ISSUES TO WATCH



STRONG OHIO



Surprise Billing



Price Transparency



Occupational Licensing



Nurse Overtime



Scope of Practice



Maternal & Infant Health

# FIREARM/PINK SLIP LEGISLATION

“DO SOMETHING”

- Aug. 4 – Mass shooting in Dayton
- Aug. 6 - Governor outlines 17-point action plan
- Oct. 15 - SB 221 STRONG OHIO bill introduced



# SURPRISE BILLING

- Language included in the budget bill and vetoed by the Governor; executive order expressed commitment to continue working on the issue
- S.B. 198 (S. Huffman) introduced on Sept. 16
- H.B. 388 (A. Holmes) introduced on Nov. 5
- **Key issues: Protecting the patient, benchmark reimbursement rate, role of arbitration**



# PRICE TRANSPARENCY

- Unworkable language included in the budget bill and vetoed by the Governor; executive order expressed commitment to continue working on the issue
- S.B. 97 (S. Huffman) was amended to reflect OHA-supported budget language
  - Beginning Jan. 2021, generally requires a hospital to provide a patient, **upon request**, with a cost estimate for each health care service scheduled at least seven days in advance.
- Passed by the Senate on Oct. 9; hearings ongoing in the House



# CONVENING CRITICAL CONVERSATIONS

## Informing Ohio's Congressional Delegation



- OHA works in partnership with the American Hospital Association to represent the best interests of Ohio hospitals on Capitol Hill
- AHA State Issues Forum in January
  - Medicaid sustainability panel
- AHA Annual Meeting in April
  - Medicaid Fiscal Accountability Rule
  - DSH Cuts

# FEDERAL ISSUES TO WATCH



Healthy Adult Opportunity



Medicaid Fiscal Accountability Rule



Price Transparency



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Disproportionate Share Hospital Cuts





# QUESTIONS?

# OHA collaborates with member hospitals and health systems to ensure a healthy Ohio

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